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WE have received number two of the *Sanford Daily Mascotte*. It is a neat six column folio published by Messrs. Edwards and Street, who also publish the weekly *Argus-Alliance*. Mr. Edwards is the same man who set the Orlando *Record* on its feet and taught it to walk, and if anybody can make a paper go, he can. We wish our new neighbor success.

WE have just received, too late for publication to any advantage, the official notice of the Southern Immigration Convention, to be held at Montgomery, Alabama, this week, and to which the Governor of this State has appointed delegates. It is a meeting of great importance to the Southern States, including our own, and our people will watch its proceedings with interest.

WHAT with railroad building, hotels opening and winter residents returning, things promise to look very lively within the next few weeks. We haven't got the second big hotel that we called for last winter, and we fear we shall want it badly. However, the past summer was not encouraging to new enterprises, or we should have had it, and we fully expect that before another season the same parties who contemplated it last summer, or others in their place will supply a need which promises to be pressing. We should all have it in mind to bring it to the attention of persons who may be with us this winter. Several smaller houses will materially increase our accomodations over last year, so that there will be little danger of any not finding a place to sleep, although there may not be the added attraction of another large house for those who would prefer it. All things seem favorable to a good season, and the early setting in of winter storms at the North will tend to drive many people southward earlier than usual. Do not fail to let them all know that Orange has never been a fever county, and that they cannot find a healthier place than Winter Park to stay in. Once here the natural beauty of the situation will do the rest and they will add their names to the long list of those who think our pretty town the only place to spend the winter in.

## The New Rogers House.

We had the pleasure of a complete inspection of the Rogers House a few days ago, and were more than ever convinced that Mr. and Mrs. Rogers are thorough hotel people from the perfect arrangement of the whole building. About twenty new sleeping rooms have been added, and they are all large airy rooms, with arrangements for heating and ventilation in each one of them. Each of the rooms has a splendid outlook either upon lovely Lake Osceola or the pretty groves and cottages with which our town abounds. Bath-rooms and water-closets have been put on each floor, following the strictest sanitary rules. The drainage is scientific and sensible. From the front entrance a broad hallway opens almost the full length of the house, terminating in a light, large and cheerful office. At the left, as you go in are two pretty parlors, after which, and opening into this same hall, you come to a broad stairway, beyond which, by large double doors you enter as pretty a dining-room as there is in any hotel in Florida, with a view of Lake Osceola and of tropical fruits and flowers in profusion. Back of this come perfect kitchen arrangements, and we feel perfectly safe in saying that in no fifty room house in the country can more perfect comfort be found than in the "New Rogers," which will be open to the public January first.

JOTTER.

## Make the Training Complete.

We are beginning to find out, through the teachings of science, how dependent are both intellect and character upon physical health. Educators are ceasing to expect good results from stimulating the young mind at the expense of the body. The feeble frame and the pallid cheek are no longer supposed to be favorable to fine mental acquirements, or to moral and religious development. Yet we still have much to learn in this matter. Day by day we are proving how dependent we are upon sound health and vigor, not only for our happiness, but for our usefulness in the world. But the necessary care, training, and self-discipline to obtain this boon are very far from occupying the high place in our thoughts and hearts which they deserve. To disobey the laws of our physical nature is too often condoned when it should be severely censured, simply because men do not appreciate how largely it enters into and influences for evil both the mental powers and the moral character.—*Philadelphia Ledger.*

## Ballot Reform.

This is one of the reforms which must come, for without it our system of popular government cannot be maintained. Every election, especially in our large cities, shows that until this reform is secured all other reforms are impossible of accomplishment. The control of the election machinery, of the printing and distributing of the ballots, must be taken from the politicians and put into the hands of the State. That is, we must take the power to control our elections away from the men who have no responsibility and no interest in government save extravagance and corruption, and put it into the hands of officials who are sworn to do their duty. Of what use is it to try to get honest men nominated for office when we leave in the hands of the political workers the power to defeat them at the polls by distributing fraudulent or defective ballots, or by making "deals" and "dickers" which cheat the people of their will?—*The Century.*

Works for manufacturing alligator, shark and fish oils, and fish and bone fertilizers will soon be started at Charlotte Harbor.

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## JOTTINGS.

Rev. C. M. Livingston and family came back on the 8th, from their summer sojourn north.

The Fanny Knowles has been thoroughly overhauled by engineers Bourne and Rizy, and will soon be put in commission again.

Mr. Edwin Vallette, of Middlebury, Vt., has rented Prof. Austin's house for the winter, and will arrive on the 13th to take possession.

Judge Welborne came on the fast mail last Saturday night. He reports that Dr. and Mrs. Bassinger will be here soon after the Holidays.

Those expected to arrive this week are F. W. Lyman and family, Mrs. C. S. Clark, Mr. W. C. Comstock and family, and Dr. J. L. B. Eager and family.

We hereby tender our thanks to the Orlando Guards for an invitation to their Annual Ball. We hope it will be a grand success, and that we can be there in person.

Mr. Wilson Phelps has a nephew and niece visiting him. They are delighted with Florida, and glad to escape from the rainy, chilly, disagreeable weather that prevailed in Ohio when they left.

The entire housekeeping force of the Seminole will arrive this week. This means, of course, only those who look after the rooms and linen, as the cooks, waiters, &c. will not arrive before Christmas.

We are firm believers in the shot-gun, when it comes to the contemptible thieving now going on in our midst. A person has just as much right to go into a store and take goods, as he has to steal oranges, and if the shot-gun is the only way to protect our crops, let's get it out, oil it up and load it for bear.

We are very sorry to have overlooked until this late day the return of Mrs. General French and daughter, who came some time ago, and who feel fully satisfied that no place in their travels, which have been quite extensive, through the East and South, will compare with Winter Park and vicinity as a residence place.

There will be special services at the Methodist church, in White's Hall, next Sunday. In the morning the pastor will preach, and at night there will be a love-feast, communion, reception of members and sermon by Rev. H. J. Walker, the presiding elder of the district. On Monday evening, the Quarterly Conference will be held, and business for the coming year transacted.

Our readers will be saddened to hear of the serious, and it is feared hopeless, illness of Mrs. Professor Austin. She has been a patient sufferer all summer, at their old home in Middlebury, Vt., and the latest news from there is that the end of her sufferings is near at hand. No community can well spare a woman so public-spirited, earnest and Christian as she is, and we share in the great loss Professor Austin is called upon to sustain.

Dr. H. C. Jones has been selected by the *Congregationalist* to write up the yellow fever in its columns. We know of nobody who can do it any better, and feel sure that our section will receive justice from his hands. There are to-day health officers who require an affidavit that the person interested has not been in Orlando within the past fifteen days, when it is a well-known fact that there never has been a case there nor in this vicinity.

## The Bible in School.

The celebrated Edgerton Bible case, in which suit was brought by Catholic tax-payers of Janesville, Wis., to prevent the reading of King James's version of the Bible in the public schools, was decided on Monday. Judge Bennett held that such reading was not sectarian instruction, the children of the petitioners not being obliged to listen if they did not desire, and the Bible having been decided on by the authorities as one of the text-books for Wisconsin schools. There was nothing, however, to prevent the children from reading a version of the Bible accepted by the Catholic Church if they preferred.—*The Universalist.*

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### California Leads Us.

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### Cigarettes.

Cigarettes are responsible for a great amount of mischief, not because the smoke from the paper has any particularly evil effect, but because smokers—and they are often boys or very young men—are apt to use them continuously or at frequent intervals, believing that their power for evil is insignificant. Thus the nerves are under the constant influence of the drug, and much injury to the system results. Moreover, the cigarette smoker uses a very considerable amount of tobacco during the course of a day.—*New York Medical Journal*

Seven men in Leon county will plant 685 acres in LeConte pear trees this season.

### Interesting to Ladies.

Our lady readers can hardly fail to have their attention called this week to the latest combination of improvements in that most useful of all domestic implements, the "sewing machine."

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